

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2660 - SB 2527

March 5, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Revises the provisions for civil immunity where a person uses force in self-defense. Authorizes a person who uses justifiable force against another to request a stay of proceedings in any civil action based on the use of force until the criminal investigation has concluded. Requires the court to expedite a requested immunity hearing and issue a decision within 40 days of the hearing.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015520): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is to revise references relating to civil proceedings.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Title 39, Chapter 11, Part 6 provides certain defense to criminal activity, including self-defense or defense of another. These defenses are asserted by defendants, and a jury determines whether or not the defenses apply to the conduct of the defendant.
- Any impact resulting from the proposed legislation to the operations of law enforcement, the courts, the district attorneys, or public defenders is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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